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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to methods of inhibiting or reducing voluntary alcohol consumption in a subject comprising administering a selective melanocortin 4 receptor agonist to said subject. The present invention further relates to methods of treating or preventing alcoholism, alcohol abuse, and alcohol related disorders in a subject comprising administering a selective melanocortin 4 receptor agonist to said subject. The present invention further provides for pharmaceutical compositions and medications useful in carrying out these methods.



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